



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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March 30, 2010

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
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## ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

#50 MARCH 30, 2010

*Sachi A. Hamai*  
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD  
STORM CHANNEL REPAIR  
COYOTE CREEK CHANNEL  
SUBDRAINAGE/CONCRETE DEFICIENCIES REPAIR  
IN THE CITIES OF CERRITOS, CYPRESS, HAWAIIAN GARDENS,  
LA PALMA, LAKEWOOD, LONG BEACH, AND LOS ALAMITOS  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4)  
(3 VOTES)**

### **SUBJECT**

This action is to approve the project for Coyote Creek Channel Subdrainage/Concrete Deficiencies Repair in the Cities of Cerritos, Cypress, Hawaiian Gardens, La Palma, Lakewood, Long Beach, and Los Alamitos; find the project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; adopt the plans and specifications; call for bids; and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award, execute, and implement a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid and approve changes or alterations to the contract.

### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT:**

1. Find that this project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Approve the project and adopt the plans and specifications for Coyote Creek Channel Subdrainage/Concrete Deficiencies Repair, storm channel repair, in the Cities of Cerritos, Cypress,

Hawaiian Gardens, La Palma, Lakewood, Long Beach, and Los Alamitos, at an estimated cost between \$3,900,000 and \$4,700,000.

3. Call for bids to be received on April 27, 2010.
4. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise the project and seal and return the plans and specifications to the Department of Public Works for filing.
5. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award and execute a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid within the estimated cost range, approve the Faithful Performance and Labor and Material bonds and insurance submitted by the contractor, and deliver the project.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain approval from the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors (Board), acting as the governing body of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, to adopt the plans and specifications, advertise for bids, and delegate to the Director of Public Works (Director) or her designee authority to award and execute a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid for the repair of a storm channel and the performance of other appurtenant work.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). The recommended actions will help meet these goals by restoring the structural integrity and function of this storm channel.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated construction cost to complete this project is in the range of \$3,900,000 to \$4,700,000. Funding for this project is included in the Fourth Supervisorial District's Fiscal Year 2009-10 Flood Control District Fund Budget.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

This project, to contract for the repair of a storm channel, is part of the Department of Public Works' (Public Works) ongoing program for the maintenance and repair of flood control facilities. It will be advertised in accordance with Section 20991 of the State Public Contract Code.

This project is to be completed in 230 working days. It is estimated the work will start in August 2010 and be completed in December 2011.

Delegating to the Director or her designee the authority to award and execute this construction contract allows an expedited contracting process to obtain a contractor for the replacement of existing concrete trapezoidal channel walls and invert slabs.

The contract agreement will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

The project specifications contain provisions requiring the contractor to comply with terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County of Los Angeles' (County) Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid, which is defined as the firm that: (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation including, but not limited to, licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the County to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure that the contract is awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by the contractor will be considered before making a recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15301(b) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Class 1, Subsection (e), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987. These exemptions provide for the maintenance of existing flood control facilities.

## **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

This project will be contracted on an open competitive bid basis. The award by the Director or her designee will be made after review of the bids and determination of the lowest responsive bid and responsible contractor meeting the criteria established by your Board and the State Public Contract Code.

To increase contractor awareness of Public Works' program to contract work out to the private sector, this project will be listed on the County website for upcoming bids.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by restoring the structural integrity and function of this storm channel.

**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works, Construction Division.

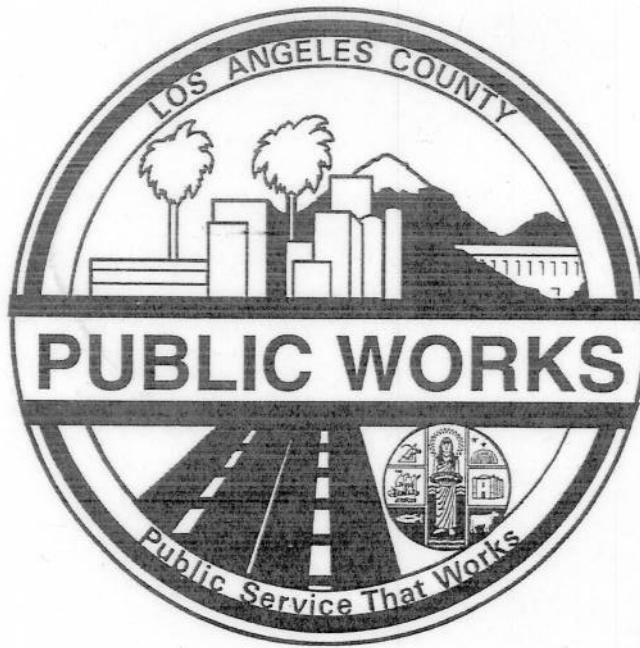
Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gail Farber". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

GAIL FARBER  
Director

GF:JTS:bc

c: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)  
County Counsel  
Executive Office  
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance



NOTICE INVITING BIDS,  
SPECIAL PROVISIONS  
AND  
SAMPLE AGREEMENT  
FOR

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0001150

COYOTE CREEK CHANNEL  
SUBDRAINAGE/CONCRETE DEFICIENCIES REPAIR

FILED  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
50. of 3-30-2010  
DATE  
SACHI A. HAMAI  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND  
CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
*[Signature]*, Deputy

Approved, GAIL FARBER, Director of Public Works

By

*[Signature: Patrick V. DeChellis]*  
Deputy Director

*1-14-2010*

Date